

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**  
City of Eugene Oregon  
**PROCLAMATION**

*Whereas*, the Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics (ACT-SO) is a major initiative of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); and

*Whereas*, the ACT-SO program provides a forum through which African-American youth demonstrate academic, artistic, and scientific prowess and expertise, thereby gaining the same recognition often only reserved for athletes or entertainers; and

*Whereas*, ACT-SO is a year-long enrichment program designed to recruit, stimulate, improve, and encourage high academic and cultural achievement among African-American high school students; and

*Whereas*, the ACT-SO program centers around the dedication and commitment of community volunteers and business leaders to serve as mentors and coaches to promote academic and artistic excellence among African-American students; and

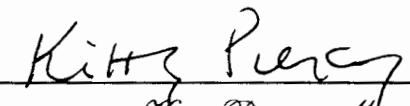
*Whereas*, competitions are conducted annually for students in grades 9 - 12 in NAACP branches throughout the country; and

*Whereas*, participating branches hold local competitions in the categories of Science, Humanities, Performance and Visual Arts; and

*Whereas*, the gold medal winners from the local competitions go on to compete on a national level, with this year's event taking place in Washington, D.C.; and

*Whereas*, Jarret Anderson of North Eugene High School earned a gold medal in Oratory and Yasha Stubbs of Sheldon High School earned a gold medal in Vocal Performance and the right to attend the national ACT-SO competition this year;

*Now, Therefore*, I, Kitty Piercy, Mayor of the City of Eugene, Oregon do hereby encourage all citizens of this community to join with me in congratulating and honoring these two outstanding students for their achievements in the local ACT-SO competitions.

  
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Kitty Piercy, Mayor  
Dated this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2006